October 8, 2003

Greetings,

For more than three years, it has been my pleasure to work with the residents of Libby and especially those willing to volunteer considerable time and energy to the CAG. ATSDR has been involved with the Libby Asbestos Project since November, 1999. I began attending regular CAG meetings in August, 2000. During this time, I have represented ATSDR and served as a public health advocate and resource for the Libby CAG. Earlier this summer, ATSDR published the combined medical testing results, and ATSDR public health objectives identified during the early stages of the Project have been completed. I have continued to attend regular CAG meetings, although I have not had much new information to share for the past few months. Therefore, ATSDR Management has decided that I should discontinue participating in monthly CAG meetings at this time.

ATSDR will continue to support and assist ongoing and future public health initiatives in Libby. I will continue to support the MASSA clinic and the ATSDR Tremolite Asbestos Registry and provide technical assistance to local county agencies involved with various public health and health education initiatives. I have a number of other site responsibilities in Montana and my office will remain in Helena. However, Libby will continue to be a priority site and I look forward to providing the CAG and the community with technical assistance as necessary.

In closing, I would like to say that I am thankful for the opportunity to work with you and shall miss visiting regularly with the many new friends I have had the fortune to make in Libby over the years. Through the CAG's leadership and influence, the community's list of accomplishments is long and impressive. Although challenges remain, I am confident you will continue to work together with state, local and federal agencies towards the successful resolution of community objectives.

I regret not being at today's meeting and delivering this message to you in person. I am attending a state-wide conference in Missoula.

Sincerely and with best wishes to you all,

Dan

Appendix 3

Libby Area Community Advisory Group

Kerry Beasley

St. John's Lutheran Hospital

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George Bauer

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Dr. Brad Black

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Libby School District #4

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Glacier Bank

Gary D. Swenson

Libby Volunteer Fire Dept.

Mike Switzer

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October 9, 2003

W.R. Grace & Company 7500 Grace Drive Columbia, Maryland 21044

To Whom It may Concern:

We have recently learned that some individuals who signed up for coverage under the Grace Medical Plan are not receiving 100 percent coverage of medical costs as was promised by W.R. Grace & Company when the plan was unveiled in 2000. We have learned that some qualified individuals on the plan are being billed for portions of medical services and drugs that are not being paid, as promised, by Grace.

We respectfully request that W.R. Grace & Company honor its commitment to pay 100 percent of the medical costs incurred by persons signed up for the Grace Medical Plan. We respectfully request that W.R. Grace & Company take whatever steps are necessary to ensure that persons signed up for the Grace Medical Plan are never billed by any entity for any services or drugs they receive under the plan. The mechanism by which 100 percent coverage is provided should be a matter of negotiation between Grace and the doctors, hospitals and pharmacies providing service.

The qualified individuals who signed up for 100 percent coverage under the Grace Medical Plan are already burdened with physical and emotional suffering. They should not be further burdened with any of the expenses connected with any treatment or drugs for any asbestos-related diseases.

Yours very sincerely:

Please see attached signature page.